

## Happenings of the Day In Capital Smart Set

Items of Interest and Importance of Past, Present, and Future Among Official and Fashionable Folk.

The reception this evening at the Raleigh Hotel by the Association of Military Surgeons of the United States, in compliance to its president, Col. J. B. Keen, Medical Corps, U. S. A., will be the first social function to be held in connection with the convention. The delegates have such a full program, including scientific sessions, public meetings and visits to the Walter Reed Hospital, the Naval Hospital, and Fort Myer, that they will have little time left for events of a social nature, but there are many ladies in the party and several entertainments have been planned in their honor.

Mrs. Richardson, wife of Dr. Charles W. Richardson, who is chairman of the ladies committee, will entertain the visitors at tea tomorrow afternoon at her country place, when Mrs. Braisted, wife of the Surgeon General of the Navy, and Mrs. Gorgas, wife of the Surgeon General of the Army, will be in the receiving party. The Secretary of State and Mrs. Lansing and the Secretary of the Navy will probably be among the guests.

Mrs. Gorgas and Mrs. Braisted will be joint hostesses for a theater party on Wednesday afternoon in compliance to the visiting ladies.

The Argentine ambassador, Dr. Romulo S. Naon, will sail for his home September 18, arriving in Argentina October 10, and it is expected he will become a candidate for President of Argentina. The ambassador has served his country here since the spring of 1911, accredited first as minister and being raised to the rank of ambassador last December. He and Madame Naon have made many friends in Washington. Two of their children were born in this country.

The Secretary of State and Mrs. Lansing had as their guests over the week-end Mrs. E. B. Elkins, namesake of the late Senator, and son of Mr. and Mrs. Blaine Elkins, who has just completed a trip round the world. Mr. Elkins returned today to Princeton, where he will enter the school of advanced studies.

Stephen B. Elkins, the first grandson of the late Senator, and son of Mr. and Mrs. Blaine Elkins, has just been christened at Mrs. Elkins' summer home, Hallsboro, at Elkins, W. Va. Bishop Donohue officiated and after the ceremony, Mrs. Elkins entertained all the villagers at Elkins.

The Secretary of the Treasury and Mrs. William C. Brown, N. H., by automobile, and expect to remain several days. Secretary and Mrs. McAdoo, with their small daughter, Miss Ellen McAdoo, and the other members of their family will probably return to Washington about the first of October, when they will take possession of the house in R street, which they have leased for the season.

Mrs. Richard C. Crane, 34, wife of the recently appointed secretary to the Secretary of State, will leave Washington this evening for Woods Hole, Mass., where the Cranes have a summer home. Mr. Crane will remain in Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. Crane, who have been engaged in the search for a suitable home for the winter, have selected a house in view, and expect to reach a decision shortly, so when Mrs. Crane returns to Washington early in October they may take possession of their new home at once.

Miss Emily Tuckerman, of Washington, who is now at her summer home in Stockbridge, Mass., aided by Mrs. Winthrop Polson, of Lenox, and Mrs. Bruce W. Padlock, of Pittsfield, has succeeded in raising a fund of \$1,025 to buy an ambulance for the Red Cross in France. Miss Tuckerman undertook the task at the instance of Mrs. Edith Wharton, the novelist.

Senator Henry F. Lippitt and Mrs. Lippitt have returned to their farm at Cumberland, N. H., where they spent the summer. They will come to Washington for the winter. Miss Frances Lippitt, daughter of the Senator, is in New York for the autumn and winter. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lippitt, his son and daughter-in-law, have returned to their home in Providence from the Lake Placid Club.

Miss Mary E. Bond and Mrs. Annie B. Gotta have returned to their home, 1414 Oregon avenue, after a two months' visit to Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, New York, and sundry places in New England.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Noyes, who spent some time in Atlantic City and attended the theatre at their cousin, William Morrison Duguid, of Scotland, to Miss Mary Cope Elington, in Philadelphia, on Friday, are again at their residence on Capitol Hill.

Mrs. Noyes' sister, Miss Mary Duguid, has also returned to Washington after a trip to the Pacific Coast.

Mrs. Beverly B. Mason, Miss Julia Mason, and Miss Josephine Mason have returned to Washington from Provincetown, Mass., where they spent the latter part of the summer.

Rear Admiral Austin M. Knight, U. S. N., and Miss Katherine G. Knight are in New York for a few days, where they went to see Ensign Richard H. Knight, U. S. N.

Capt. and Mrs. Isaac E. Emerson, of Baltimore, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Gwynne Vanderbilt at Shadow Brook, their Lenox estate.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry E. Davis have returned to their home in Nineteenth street from Bryant's Pond, Me., where Mrs. Davis spent the summer and where Mr. Davis joined her after a trip to the west coast.

The Rev. Frederick William Smith, rector of Trinity Church, Takoma park, has returned to his parish from a month's vacation at Haven, Me., where he was the guest of his brother, the Rev. Herbert Scott Smith, rector of St. Margaret's Episcopal Church, of this city.

Miss Hildreth Gatewood, daughter of Medical Director and Mrs. J. D. Gatewood, U. S. N., has joined her parents at their home in the city. Miss Gatewood spent the summer at Pine Hill Camp, Requette Lake, N. Y.

Mrs. Henry E. Jenkins, who has been with Dr. and Mrs. Gatewood since July, will return to Port Royal, S. C., where Dr. Jenkins is stationed, about October 4, accompanied by her

infant daughter, Miss Anne Wythe Jenkins.

The Misses Timlow have returned to town from the mountains of New Hampshire, where they spent the summer.

Mrs. William Caperton, wife of Rear Admiral Caperton, and Miss Margaret Caperton, who are at the Muenchinger Hotel, at Newport, are planning to spend the early winter at the Vanderbilt Hotel in New York.

Miss Olga Pilsen, daughter of Mrs. B. F. Pilsen, of Washington, Miss Margaret Pirpe, Laurence Street, weather, and a party of fifteen motored from Bretton Woods, N. H., to Colebrook on Saturday evening to attend the minstrel show.

Mrs. Harry Berry, formerly Miss Georgia Knox, will arrive in Washington some time in October to be the guest for some time of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Knox, and to attend the wedding of her cousin, Miss Nina Knox Van Arsdale, to Vernon West. The date for the wedding has not yet been selected, but it will take place during the first week in November at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Dr. H. J. Savage, before returning to her home in Evergreen, Ala.

Preston Gibson, accompanied by Reginald Vanderbilt, has arrived in New York from Newport by automobile and expects to spend several days.

Mrs. B. R. Hinson, of Tampa, Fla., and her son, Elwyn, who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Cathcart, for a month, left Washington last night for New York.

Mrs. Cathcart's mother, Mrs. Savage, who has also been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Cathcart, has gone to Gadsden, Ala., to visit her son, Dr. H. J. Savage, before returning to her home in Evergreen, Ala.

**FARMER GOES VISITING IN HUDSON SEAPLANE**

J. B. R. Verplanck Travels To Great Neck, Ninety Miles, In Little Over An Hour.

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—J. B. R. Verplanck, a wealthy farmer of Fishkill-on-Hudson, has the "telephone, it-saves-time" theory beaten by some sixty miles an hour. Yesterday about 8 o'clock, he rolled his machine out of its house at his Fishkill estate.

He had planned a visit to the home of his friend Clarkson Cowell, quite a ways down-State, but he knew he had plenty of time, so he did not hurry the cranking up of his engine.

Despite his lack of haste, he was seen speeding by Forty-second street at about 8:30 a. m. Half an hour later he was in the home of his friend at Great Neck, L. I.

Verplanck is an amateur aviator, and he has not already guessed it, and when he goes visiting he takes the air route. His trip yesterday morning was about ninety miles. The only stop he made was off Hewlett Point, when, having passed Great Neck through mist, he dropped to the water, haled a passing yacht and got his bearings.

**Who Said There's Any Race Suicide in Germany?**

BERLIN, Sept. 13.—The Prussian statistical office has just issued its last year book, containing details of the last Prussian general census taken on December 1, 1910. According to this there were then in Prussia 7,509,360 married, widowed, and divorced women, of whom only 55,515 had no children.

As indicating the distribution of children a family, it may be mentioned that 82,221 women had twelve children, 42,229 had thirteen, 27,964 had fourteen, 19,624 had fifteen, and sixteen children or more each. As many as 789 women had more than twenty children. Altogether the 260,000 Prussian mothers had given birth to 28,312,888 children, or an average of four children each.

**"Hello" Girl's Bright Wit Scares Men Robbing Bank**

NORTH TOWNANDA, N. Y., Sept. 13.—Robbery of the State National Bank of Ransomville, Niagara county, was foiled by the quick wit of a telephone girl, who "rang up" the bank just as the robbers, five in number, were about to blow open the inner door of the bank vault.

The robbers had succeeded in blowing open the fireproof door of the safe proper when frightened away. They escaped in an automobile.

**Too Much Kissing, So Doctor Registers Kick**

HUNTINGTON, W. Va., Sept. 13.—Dr. E. W. Grover, president of the board of health, has started a campaign against the ancient custom of kissing because, he says, it spreads tuberculosis and a lot of other awful diseases.

Dr. Grover advocated the "pat-pat" as a substitute. To apply the "pat-pat" the doctor explains, is to couple the lips lightly and should approach each other within handshaking distance, pat each other lightly on the cheek and smile.

**"Charmer" Victim of Snake in Coney Show**

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—A fourteen-foot snake caused a panic last night in an exhibition on the Bowery, Coney Island, by attacking the "charmer," Edward Reisan, twenty-three. The woman, who was scrambling for exits as the reptile wound about Reisan and bit his hand. Detectives Ryan and Laque belabored the snake until it released Reisan. It darted at Ryan, but Laque knocked it senseless. It was then killed.

**Grave Diggers in Black.**

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Sept. 13.—Black gowns, appropriate to the occasion, will in the future be worn by grave diggers at the cemetery when they participate in funeral services and assist in the lowering of the coffins. Commissioner Simmons made this order a few days ago, as he is of the opinion that the appearance of these men in their working clothes is hardly appropriate.

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## RED CROSS APPEALS FOR MEXICAN FUND

Asks Sage and Rockefeller Foundations for Money to Meet Emergency.

Famine conditions in Mexico City have become so serious that the American Red Cross has appealed to the Rockefeller Foundations for funds until money can be raised from other sources. At Red Cross headquarters today it was denied that the Red Cross had abandoned its relief work.

Brig. Gen. C. A. Devol, general manager of the Red Cross Mexican relief work, declared today:

"Our dispatches show that there is still the utmost necessity for relief work in the capital," he said. "The occupation of the city by the Carranza forces has not lightened the work of the Red Cross."

"We are asking for funds to send to Mexico City, because it is almost impossible, owing to the interruption of railway communication between Vera Cruz and Mexico City, to get supplies to the capital. With funds to draw on, Red Cross Agent O'Connor will be able to purchase supplies and carry on his relief work, and continue his soup house."

General Devol said that Special Agent Weller left Eagle Pass, Texas, recently with a trainload of seven cars of provisions for the relief of destitute in Monclova and Saltillo, but was forced to return to Eagle Pass when his train ran into a battle near Sabins. Weller had been informed by Carranza forces controlling the territory. Devol said that the orders given by Villa permitting the safe passage of supplies will be duplicated by Carranza's officials. Thus far, however, the supplies have not reached the famine stricken section.

Funds have been asked to American ambassadors in European capitals. General Devol said, to pay the return passage of the Red Cross surgeons and nurses who are to be withdrawn from European war relief work on October 1. Because of a lack of funds, all hospital units in Europe are to be returned next month, except the two Belgian units and twelve members of the Serbian sanitary commission.

**Straw Lid Doomed After Wednesday**

Open Season for Annual Killing Begins Sept. 15, When Small Boy Cries "Shoot It!"

The gun goes off Wednesday. The targets will be every straw hat atop Washingtonians.

The open season for straw chapeaux begins September 15 at daybreak, and all males are expected to "shoot" their straws into the discard or hold themselves subject to the derisive cries of "Shoot it!" of the small boy who observes the seasons of the year.

Nothing in the way of heat waves that the straw season can furnish, make any difference with the observant, and likewise mischievous, youngster, who by custom has decreed that September 15 is the last day for the light straw, summery headgear can be worn.

Anticipating the season of derbies and felts, Washington merchants have been displaying the fall styles in headgear since September 1. Fedoras again are popular in numerous colors. The derby, however, continues to reign the most staple of hats.

**Case of Bubonic Plague Found in New Orleans**

A case of bubonic plague has been discovered in New Orleans. The source of infection has not been determined but it is believed that the disease was brought to the city.

After a year of respite, during which the Public Health Service, in co-operation with the Louisiana health authorities and the public health officers of the city, rat-proofed 91,000 buildings and trapped and killed 48,000 rats, which are carriers of the disease, health officers are confident that there is no local infection, and that there will be no epidemic.

**Senator Saulsbury Says Japan Is Our Friend**

WILMINGTON, Sept. 13.—Senator and Mrs. Saulsbury of Delaware are back today from an extended trip to China and Japan, after proceeding to the Far East from Honolulu, where they went with a Congressional investigating committee. After predicting that our relations with Japan will remain friendly, the Senator came out strongly for preparedness.

"I am an ardent supporter of a large navy," he said. "We should have it for defense and not for offense. America is not a conquering country. We want to be let alone, even if we have to fight for peace."

He said further that Congress will favor a large navy and advocate the appointment of a naval board to decide on the ships we need.

**Husband Made Her Dance.**

SHELBYVILLE, Ind., Sept. 13.—Mrs. Ora Brown has brought suit for a divorce against her husband, Reuben Brown. Mrs. Brown, among other things, charges that her husband shot at her and made her dance for his amusement. They were married four years and in that time separated four times. She says Mrs. Brown also alleges Brown is one of the laziest men in Shelbyville, and that in the winter she was forced to work to procure money to support him.

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## Washington Boosters Arrive in Frederick

Representatives of Retail Merchants' Association, Accompanied by Band and Six Motor Trucks of Souvenirs, Advertising National Capital in Maryland Town.

By B. A. MATTINGLY.

FREDERICK, Sept. 13.—Accompanied by a band and six motor trucks laden with souvenirs, seventy-five business men of Washington are here today, boosting for the National Capital.

The party of trade promoters, organized under the auspices of the Retail Merchants' Association, left Washington shortly after 8 o'clock this morning on an automobile tour which will take them through thirty-five towns in Maryland, Virginia, and West Virginia.

President R. P. Andrews, of the Retail Merchants' Association, and his associates, are scattering souvenirs bearing advertisements of Washington business establishments and circulating a special edition of The Washington Times, setting forth the trade opportunities of the National Capital.

**Welcome Boosters.**  
Not only have the residents of Frederick turned out to welcome the boosters, but citizens of the surrounding country have driven to town to extend a welcome and receive the gifts which the merchants are distributing.

At 7:30 o'clock those who were to take the trip assembled at the street car station in Washington. To attract attention to the object of the trip as set forth on the placards and banners, and to entertain the townspeople whom they will visit, the boosters were accompanied by the Retail Merchants' Band, which will give a concert in each of the villages and cities at which stops are to be made.

The procession filed out Pennsylvania avenue to East Executive avenue, to H street, to Sixteenth street, to Massachusetts avenue, a Connecticut avenue, chaises avenue, to Connecticut avenue, and thence to Rockville, where the first stop will be made.

To preclude accidents or interruption during the parade, Captain Peck, of the First Maryland Cavalry, a police escort which accompanied the boosters as far as Connecticut avenue.

**Dinner at Frederick.**  
The principal stops today in addition to Rockville include Gaithersburg, Ridgeville, Frederick, and Hagerstown. Mid-day dinner was taken in Frederick.

**Funerals**

**Mrs. Antone Bartos.**  
Funeral services for Mrs. Antone Bartos, who died Saturday, were held today at her late residence, 220 Minnesota avenue, southeast, Twining City, with interment in Cedar Hill Cemetery.

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Oldest Member of Metropolitan Club to Be Buried in Boston. Services Wednesday.

Major Joseph Mansfield Brown, civil war veteran and prominent clubman, died last night at his home in the Connecticut Hospital, and his funeral services will be held Wednesday at his late residence. The body will be sent to Boston for burial.

Major Brown was eighty-five years old, and had been a resident of Washington for sixty years, being, it was said, the oldest member of the Metropolitan Club.

He entered Harvard University in 1859, and was coxswain of the victorious Harvard crew in the first Yale-Harvard regatta. He was graduated with the class of '83, and engaged in business in Boston for a short while.

At the outbreak of the civil war he enlisted in the Union army and served four years. Major Brown had no children, being survived only by his widow, Mrs. J. M. Brown.

**Victim of Policeman's Shot Will Recover**

Richard Miller, who was shot by Policeman E. C. Kuchling Saturday night, is reported as convalescent at the Casualty Hospital today, and his recovery is looked for by the physicians.

At the suggestion of Major Pullman an investigation of the shooting is being made by Inspector Boyle, assistant superintendent of police.

**St. Patrick's Parish High School Reopens**

At the opening of St. Patrick's High School this morning, Monsignor Russell, of St. Patrick's Church, spoke on "The Benefits of a Christian Education."

Mass was sung by Father McGuigan, and the sanctuary choir furnished music. The school now has an enrollment of 280 pupils.

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